

1	BEFORE THE ARIZO	ONA CORPORATION COMMISSION	
2 3	MIKE GLEASON Chairman WILLIAM A. MUNDELL	Arizona Corporation Commission DOCKETED	
3	Commissioner JEFF HATCH-MILLER	APR 29 2008	
5	Commissioner KRISTIN K. MAYES Commissioner	DOCKETED BY	
6	GARY PIERCE Commissioner	ne	
7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY TO ALTER FOUR CROSSINGS OF THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD IN COCHISE COUNTY. Open Meeting April 24, 2008 Phoenix, Arizona	DOCKET NO. RR-03639A-07-0422 ORDER AMENDING DECISION NO. 70161 DECISION NO. 70327 ORDER	
16	BY THE COMMISSION:		
17	FINDINGS OF FACT		
18	1. On February 27, 2008,	the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission")	
19	issued Decision No. 70161 in Docket No. RR-03639A-07-0422. Decision No. 70161 granted		
20	Union Pacific Railroad Company's ("Railroad") application to alter four crossings in Cochise		
21	County; Maley Street, Stewart Street, and Patte Road in the Town of Wilcox, and Country Club		
22	Drive in Cochise County.		
23	2. Finding of Fact ¶ 9 at page	ge 4, lines 1-2 of the decision states that with regard to the	
24	Maley Street crossing, AAR/DOT No. 7	41 397H, "A concrete median will be installed to the north	
25	and south of the tracks to accommodate additional gates and to preclude motorists from driving		

around them." The statement reflected information provided in the Commission Railroad Safety

Section Staff's ("Staff") Staff Report at page 2 filed on October 26, 2007. The Staff Report stated,

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"A median will be installed in both directions at the crossing to accommodate additional gates and to help prevent motorists from driving around the lowered gates."

- 3. At the evidentiary hearing held on November 20, 2007, Staff witness Chris Watson explained on the record that:
 - Q. I noted that with regard to the Maley Street upgrades that are proposed that there is an indication in the Staff report that a median will be installed in both directions at the crossing to accommodate additional gates and to help prevent motorists from driving around the lowered gates. Since preparing the report have you been provided information concerning the purpose for which the medians are being proposed?
 - A. Prior to the hearing I was informed that there will [not be] median gates on that median at the Maley Street crossing. There will be a median there, but it will be there to help prevent circumvention of gates being put in there and the cantilevers.
 - Q. So the primary purpose, as you understand it, for the installation of the median at Maley Street is to prevent motorists from driving around the lowered gates?
 - A. Correct.

(Transcript of hearing before Judge Stern on November 20, 2007, p. 8, lines 7-24,

- 4. At the Open Meeting held on April 24, 2008, Staff and the Railroad clarified that the gate posts will be mounted along the curbsides at the crossing. The parties explained that because the individual gate arms are long enough to cover one lane of traffic, for a two lane road, there are only the gates positioned along the curbsides.
- 5. The parties further explained that there will be an upraised concrete median to prevent motorists from circumventing the gates. The lowered gate will extend from the respective outside curb to within 12 inches of the upraised median. The Railroad explains that the crossing configuration, thus clarified, will prevent motorists from circumventing the crossing gates.
- 6. On March 14, 2008, the Railroad and Staff filed a Joint Motion to Amend Decision No. 70161. Therein, the parties requested that the Commission approve an amendment to the language in Decision No. 70161 that would make the order consistent with the testimony provided at the evidentiary hearing. To date, the Railroad has not constructed the medians at the Maley Street crossing pending Commission clarification of the approval granted in Decision No. 70161.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over Union Pacific Railroad Company and the subject matter contained herein pursuant to Article XV of the Arizona Constitution and A.R.S. §§ 40-252, 40-336, 40-337 and 40-337.01.
 - 2. Notice of the proceeding has been given in the manner prescribed by law.
- Staff's and Union Pacific Railroad Company's motion in Finding of Fact No. 6 is reasonable and should be granted.
- 4. The Commission, having reviewed the Joint Motion to Amend Decision No. 70161 dated March 14, 2008, finds that amending Decision No. 70161 to clarify the placement of gates with respect to the median is in the public interest.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Decision No. 70161 is hereby amended to state at Finding of Fact ¶ 9, p.4, lines 1-2, "A concrete median will be installed to the north and south of the tracks to preclude motorists from driving around the gates" in place of "A concrete median will be installed to the north and south of the tracks to accommodate gates and to preclude motorists from driving around them."

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Decision No. **70327**

1	IT IS FURTHER ORDER	ED that Decision No. 70161	shall remain in effect in all other
2	respects.		
3	IT IS FURTHER ORDERE	ED that this decision shall be ef	fective immediately.
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5	BY THE ORDER OF	THE ARIZONA CORPORA	TION COMMISSION
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